

(c) Amendment to the Claims

Kindly cancel claim 3, amend claims 1 and 2 and add new claims 10 and 11.

A detailed listing of the claims is provided which replaces any earlier version.

1. (Currently Amended) A magnetic material comprising:

a CoPt- or FePt-alloy magnetic material obtained according to plating,

wherein said magnetic material comprises an L1<sub>0</sub>-ordered alloy, and at least one

element of Cu, Ni and B is contained in said alloy magnetic material with an atomic percent equal to or more than 1 % and equal to or less than 40 %.

2. (Currently Amended) A magnetic material according to Claim 1,

wherein said CoPt- or FePt-alloy magnetic material obtained according to plating contains Ni, and at least one element of Cu and B with an atomic percent equal to or more than 1 % and equal to or less than 30 %.

3. (Cancelled).

4. (Original) A magnetic material according to Claim 1, wherein said

magnetic material has a coercive force equal to or more than 3 kOe.

5. (Original) A magnetic recording medium comprising:

a magnetic material according to Claim 1 filled in pores having a diameter

equal to or less than 100 nm.

6. (Original) A magnetic recording/reproducing apparatus using a magnetic recording medium according to Claim 5.

7. (Original) An information processing apparatus to which a magnetic recording/reproducing apparatus that uses a magnetic recording medium according to Claim 5 is connected.

8. (Withdrawn - Currently Amended) A method for manufacturing a magnetic material in which at least one element of Cu, Ni and B is contained in a CoPt- or FePt-alloy magnetic material, said method comprising:

a step of depositing a magnetic material in which at least one element of Cu, Ni and B is contained in a CoPt- or FePt-alloy magnetic material with an atomic percent equal to or more than 1 % and equal to or less than 40 %, from a plating solution; and

a step of transforming the deposited magnetic material into an L1<sub>0</sub>-ordered alloy by according to by annealing at a temperature equal to or lower than 500 C°.

9. (Withdrawn) A method according to Claim 8, wherein said step of depositing a magnetic material in which at least one element of Cu, Ni and B is contained in a CoPt- or FePt-alloy magnetic material with an atomic percent equal to or more than 1 % and equal to or less than 40 % comprises a step of depositing a magnetic material in which the CoPt- or FePt-alloy magnetic material contains Ni, and at least one element of Cu and B with an atomic percent equal to or more than 1 % and equal to or less than 30 %.

10. (New) . A magnetic material comprising:

a FePt-alloy magnetic material,

wherein said magnetic material comprises an  $\text{L1}_0$ -ordered alloy, and at least

one element of Cu, Ni and B is contained in said alloy magnetic material with an atomic percent equal to or more than 1 % and equal to or less than 40 %.

11. (New) A magnetic material consisting of:

a CoPt- or FePt-alloy magnetic material which is  $\text{L1}_0$ -ordered alloy, and

at least one element of Cu, Ni and B which is contained in said alloy magnetic material with an atomic percent equal to or more than 1 % and equal to or less than 40 %.